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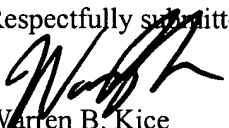
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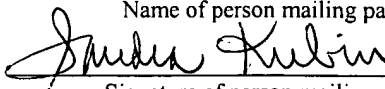
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I. Introductory Comments

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action (Non-Compliant Amendment) mailed May 5, 2004 and in further response to the Restriction Requirement - Office Action mailed March 11, 2004.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Election to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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